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Madam:

In connection with the Office Action dated October 10, 2008, reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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